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TAGS: OVIP (ROBINSON, CHARLES W.)

SUBJ: VISIT OF DEP SEC CHARLES W. ROBINSON: SCHEDULE CHANGES

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1. DCM MET MORNING AUGUST 3 WITH PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS SECRETARY RUIZ AND CHIEF OF PROTOCOL GONZALES WHO PROPOSED CHANGES IN SCHEDULE FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, NECESSITATED BY PRESIDENT MARCOS' PREVIOUS COMMITMENTS AND DESIRE FOR AMPLE DISCUSSIONS WITH DEP SEC. MARCOS IS IN PALAWAN TODAY BUT RUIZ PROMISED CONFIRM FINAL SCHEDULE ON AUGUST 4, MOST PROBABLY ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6

08:30 - 10:30 AM - "FIVE ON A SIDE" MEETING WITH OR WITHOUT BREAKFAST WITH PRESIDENT MARCOS AT MALACANANG PALACE AND INCLUDING FON SEC ROMULO, FORMER VICE PRESIDENT PELAEZ (MEMBER OF MILITARY BASE NEGOTIATIONS PANEL), SEC DEF ENRILE, AND AMBASSADOR ROMUALDEZ (CHAIRMAN, NEGOTIATIONS PANEL). U.S. SIDE TO COMPRISE DEP SEC ROBINSON, AMB SULLIVAN, ASST SEC HUMMEL, REAR ADMIRAL SHELTON (MILITARY ADVISER, NEGOTIATIONS PANEL) AND MR. TICE. ALSO, DCM SUGGESTED TO RUIZ THAT MARCOS MIGHT WISH TO INCLUDE CINCPAC ADMIRAL GAYLER IN BASE NEGOTIATIONS SESSION IN LIEU OF LATER APPOINTMENT. RUIZ WILL ADVISE. DCM
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BROACHED DEP SEC PRIVATE DISCUSSION WITH MARCOS PER

REFTEL B, AND RUIZ SAID THIS WOULD BE FITTED IN AT CLOSE OF MORNING SESSION WITH PRESIDENT. ACCORDING TO CURRENT PLAN, MARCOS PRESUMABLY HOLDING TO 11:30 AID AGREEMENT SIGNING.

2. FON SEC ROMULO COMMITTED TO MARCOS' LUNCHEON FOR FAO DIRECTOR NVKMSUHT RWBTUKFVPD AZSYS#

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BUT WAS DISSUADED. DCM SUGGESTED POSSIBILITY OF ANOTHER CABINET MEMBER, FINANCE SECRETARY VIRATA, HOSTING LUNCHEON AND NOTED DEP SEC PRIMARILY INTERESTED IN SUBSTANTIVE EXPOSURE TO SIGNIFICANT ISSUES. RUIZ SAID HE WOULD DPFPA CUSS WITH PRESIDENT.

3. RUIZ SAID IF DEP SEC IS GOLFER PRESIDENT MIGHT WELL WISH INVITE HIM FOR GAME ON MALACANANG COURSE FRIDAY AFTERNOON. HPZIZ ADDED HE WOULD AWAIT EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FROM DEP SEC. ALTERNATIVELY, IF DEP SEC PREFERS, HE COULD SUGGEST PELOTA (THE PHILIPPINE VARIATION ON SQUASH) WHICH MARCOS LIKES TO PLAY.

4. FAILING ATHELETIC EVENT FRIDAY AFTERNOON, DEP SEC MAY WISH TO CONSIDER QUICK VISIT AND AERIAL INSPECTION OF U.S. MILITARY BASES.

5. RUIZ AND GONZALES APPROVED OUR PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT DRAFT (REFTEL A AS AMENDED REFTEL B) AND SUGGESTED IT BE ISSUED AS EMBASSY RELEASE TO WHICH GOP WOULD ADD SEPARATELY. (SO MUCH FOR A JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT*) AS TO THE POSSIBILITY OF A JOINT STATEMENT AT END OF VISIT, RUIZ FELT THIS SOMETHING GOP WOULD WISH TO CONSIDER, ALTHOUGH SUBJECT MATTER COULD BE QUITE DELICATE SINCE ATTENTION IS HEAVILY FOCUSED ON BASE
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NEGOTIATIONS AT THIS TIME. (HE ADDED WITH SMILE THAT PERHAPS BASE NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE SUSPENDED UNTIL AFTER U.S. ELECTIONS, OR LONGER.
SULLIVAN

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